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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re Application of

John D. BEGIN, et al.

Serial No. 09/507,955

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Examiner: P. NGUYEN

For: VEHICLE SPEED SENSOR FOR NAVIGATION SYSTEM

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The following remarks are in response to the final Office Action dated November 19, 2002, in the above-identified application.

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the subject application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-3 and 5-32 are pending in the application.

Claims 1, 2, 3, 5 and 7-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Lowe et al. in view of Huang. Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

Lowe et al. discloses an RF transponder 28. As described in Lowe et al., the RF transponder does not include a power source. Instead, power is received from the exciter/receiver. The power source described in Huang would not be useful or combinable with Lowe et al. The device in Huang is directed to a tire pressure indicator, not to a transponder system for reporting the distance traveled by a vehicle. The Examiner has not pointed to any teaching in either Lowe et al. or Huang for making the proposed combination. There must be something more than hindsight to make the combination.

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